

## House Resolution No. 549

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State residents who have dedicated a significant portion of their lives to the public good through their employment and leadership as public safety officers; and

**Whereas**, Lieutenant Philip L. Ahern retired on November 1, 2002, after an exceptional twenty-nine years with the Missouri State Highway Patrol; and

**Whereas**, Philip Ahern joined the Missouri State Highway Patrol on November 1, 1973, after which time he was assigned to Troop F in a region that included Montgomery, Audrain, and Callaway counties; and

**Whereas**, Officer Philip Ahern transferred to Zone 9 in 1980 to cover Montgomery and Gasconade counties; advanced to the rank of Corporal on November 1, 1984; and became a Sergeant on July 1, 1987; and

**Whereas**, during his time in Troop F, Officer Philip Ahern was involved in numerous special assignments and details, served as Assistant Officer-In-Charge for operations at the National Governors Association Conference, and was one of the Missouri State Highway Patrol's original reconstructionists; and

**Whereas**, on October 1, 1999, Sergeant Philip Ahern moved to Troop C in St. Louis with the rank of Lieutenant; and

**Whereas**, Philip Ahern has also earned distinction as a 1965 graduate of Knox County High School who completed a Bachelor of Science degree in business administration and economics at Culver-Stockton College in 1969 and served in the United States Army from 1970 to 1972 as a soldier who rose to the rank of Specialist Five:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to salute Lieutenant Philip Ahern and to convey to him this legislative body's heartiest congratulations and best wishes as he partakes of the special opportunities and pleasures traditionally associated with the golden years of retirement, especially motorcycling, golfing, and service as a Reserve Deputy for the Montgomery County Sheriff's Department; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Lieutenant Philip Ahern, beloved husband of Carol and loving father of fellow highway patrolmen Nathan and Ethan.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Mike Sutherland  
District No. 99

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 549, adopted March 3, 2003.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker